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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	Hans Poisel
Serial No. 09/194,049	Filing Date: November 23, 1998
Title of Application:	Device For Receiving Optical Signals By Means Of A Light-Guiding Object
Group Art Unit:	3662
Examiner	Nelson Moskowitz

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment**

Dear Sir:

On October 2, 2003, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed in the above-captioned matter (copy attached as Exhibit A hereto) due to "Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 31 March 2003". However, the Office letter mailed on March 31, 2003 was apparently incorrectly addressed to the inventor and as such was never received by Applicant's duly appointed Attorneys.

Applicant, through its duly appointed Attorneys, hereby petitions the Commissioner to withdraw this holding of abandonment on grounds that the Office letter mailed on March 31, 2003 was, due to a mistake on the part of the U.S. Patent Office, misdirected. Applicant further requests that the Office letter mailed on March 31, 2003 be re-mailed to the correct address and that the time period for reply thereto be re-set.

**Mailing Certificate:** I hereby certify that this correspondence is today being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as *First Class Mail* in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents; P.O. Box 1450; Alexandria, VA-22313-1450.

January 6, 2004  
Linda A. Ferranti

The present application was filed on November 23, 1998. The undersigned attorneys took over responsibility for prosecution of the case, and on July 27, 2001 a Revocation and New Power of Attorney was filed (copy thereof and of postcard acknowledging receipt thereof attached as Exhibit B hereto). However, this Revocation and New Power of Attorney was not entered because it was signed by the assignee of the application and did not include evidence establishing chain of title (copy of Notice attached as Exhibit C hereto). In light of this refusal of entry, a second Revocation and New Power of Attorney, this one including the requisite evidence establishing chain of title of the assignee, was filed on March 22, 2002 (copy thereof and of postcard acknowledging receipt thereof attached as Exhibit D hereto).

While the above was transpiring, and unbeknownst to Applicant's attorneys, Applicant's previous attorneys had filed a Request for Withdrawal (which was granted), and an Office Action had been mailed directly to the inventor on March 9, 2001. No response was filed thereto and the application unintentionally went abandoned. On January 21, 2003, the undersigned filed a Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b). This Petition was granted in a Decision mailed March 12, 2003 (copy thereof attached as Exhibit E hereto).

In the Decision mailed March 12, 2003, the undersigned noted the following statements: "There is no indication that the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute the above-identified application.... However, if Wesley W. Whitmyer Jr. desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, the appropriate power of attorney or authorization of agent must be submitted." However, knowing these statements to be incorrect (because an appropriate Revocation and New Power of Attorney had in fact been filed on March 22, 2002 -- see above), the undersigned telephoned the Examiner responsible for the present application, Examiner Moskowitz, on March 27, 2003, immediately upon reviewing the Decision mailed on March 12, 2003. Examiner Moscovitz informed the undersigned that the Revocation and New Power of Attorney

filed on March 22, 2002 had not been properly entered. He also instructed the undersigned that this problem would be remedied if the undersigned would send by facsimile a copy of the Revocation and New Power of Attorney filed on March 22, 2002 as well as the postcard acknowledging receipt thereof to a Ms. Ross at facsimile number (703) 305-7658. The undersigned immediately did so on March 27, 2003 (see cover letter, facsimile transmission report indicating a successful transmission, Revocation and New Power of Attorney and postcard attached as Exhibit F hereto).

However, despite the undersigned's telephone call and facsimile, it appears that the Revocation and New Power of Attorney filed on March 22, 2002 still was not entered, and that an Office Action was mistakenly mailed directly to the inventor on March 31, 2003 (as indicated in the Notice of Abandonment).

In light of Revocation and New Power of Attorney, if any fee is due, please charge to Deposit Account No. 19-4516.

Respectfully submitted,



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Todd M. Oberdick, Registration No. 44,268  
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EXAMINER

MOSKOWITZ, NELSON

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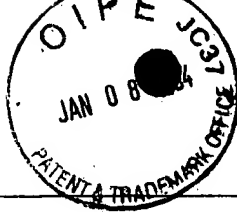
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### Notice of Abandonment

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Nelson Moskowitz	3663

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

This application is abandoned in view of:

1. ☒ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 31 March 2003.
  - (a) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of \_\_\_\_\_ month(s)) which expired on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.  
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
  - (c) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).
  - (d) ☒ No reply has been received.
2. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (a) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient. A balance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is due.  
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$\_\_\_\_\_. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
3. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
  - (a) ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
  - (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.
4. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.
5. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.
6. ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on \_\_\_\_\_ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
7. ☐ The reason(s) below:

NELSON MOSKOWITZ  
PRIMARY EXAMINER

Nelson Moskowitz  
Primary Examiner  
Art Unit: 3663

Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.

Exhibit B



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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231Revocation and New Power Of Attorney

Dear Sir:

Applicant, Schleifring Und Apparatebau GmbH, a corporation of Germany, having its principal place of business at Am Hardtanger 10; D-82256 Furstenfeld\*, Germany hereby revoke all previous powers of attorney and appoints the following attorneys to prosecute this patent and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, receive all communications from the United States Patent and Trademark Office, to receive the Letters Patent, and be its agent for service of process in connection herewith:

Wesley W. Whitmyer, Jr., Registration No. 33,558  
J. Bradley Wright, Registration No. 47,188  
Attorneys for Applicant  
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Schleifring Und Apparatebau GmbH is the assignee of record of the patent application identified above. A copy of the assignment is enclosed.

Schleifring Und Apparatebau GmbH

13.06.2001  
Date

By

Name

Title

Kurt Dallhofer  
Kurt Dallhofer  
Managing Director

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This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application.  
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Responsive to the proposed communication re power of attorney filed  
07/30/01.

The above communication, signed by Kurt Dollhofer, has not  
been entered for the following reason.

Effective September 4, 1992, 37 CFR 3.73(b) requires the Assignee of the  
entire right, title and interest to establish ownership by submitting to the  
Office documentary evidence of a chain of title from the original owner to  
the assignee or by specifying (e.g. reel and frame number, etc.) where  
such documentary evidence is recorded. In addition, the assignee of the  
patent application or patent must submit a statement specifying the  
evidentiary documents have been reviewed and certifying that, to the best  
of assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee seeking to take  
the action. See Federal Register on July 6, 1992 (Vol. 57, No. 129,  
29634-29648), and in the Office Gazette on July 28, 1992.

*Shanda Ross*

Shanda Ross

Deputy SAE, Group 2200

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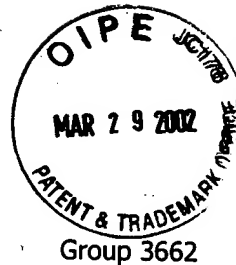
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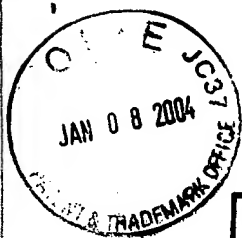
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Schleifring Und Apparatebau GmbH is the assignee of record of the patent application identified above by virtue of an Assignment recorded at Reel 12403, Frame 0175. To the best of my knowledge, title remains in the assignee, Schleifring Und Apparatebau GmbH.

Schleifring Und Apparatebau GmbH

13. November 2001  
Date

By Kurt Dollhofer  
Name Kurt Dollhofer  
Title Managing Director

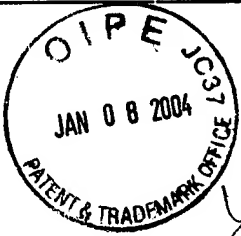
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 21, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner in reply to the final Office action mailed March 9, 2001. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 have been obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on June 10, 2001.

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Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Latrice Bond at (703) 308-6911.



The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 3662 for further processing.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Latrice Bond".

Latrice Bond  
Paralegal Specialist  
Office of Petitions  
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cc: Todd M. Oberdick  
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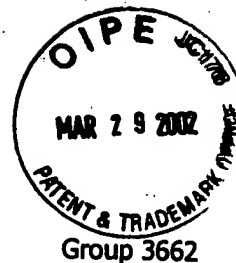
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